AGENDA

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011 TRAINING ROOM 3300 CAPITOL AVE., BUILDING B FREMONT, CALIFORNIA 7:15 P.M.

- 1. <u>SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM</u>
- 2. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>
- 3. ROLL CALL
- **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the September 19, 2011 meeting.
- 5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
- 6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
- 7. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>
- **8.** <u>CONSENT ITEMS</u> (Routine items requiring no discussion; any Commissioner or member of the public can ask for a consent item to be moved to the regular agenda to allow for discussion)
 - 8.1 None

9. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

9.1 HRC Work Plan

BACKGROUND: The Commission has developed a work plan that includes various tasks and events through Calendar Year 2011 and has requested staff include the work plan as a standing item on the agenda.

Enclosure: 9.1.1 HRC 2010/11 Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION: Review current work plan and entertain a motion to amend work plan if appropriate.

9.2 Human Relations Award Discussion

BACKGROUND: The Commission is considering an award to recognize individuals who have made outstanding voluntary contributions for the

common good and/or sustainable change in the community and who serve the community with distinction in the pursuit of equality, justice, and human rights for all citizens. Demonstrating this pursuit may include showing leadership in inter-cultural affairs, human services, community action, or humanitarian endeavors. Individuals would be recognized in the Tri-City Voice.

Enclosure: 9.2.1 Draft HRC Award Application

RECOMMENDATION: Finalize draft application and decide next steps on beginning award process.

9.3 Outcome of Management Partners Sustainability Report Council Recommendations

BACKGROUND: Staff is prepared to provide a verbal update on the outcome of the Management Partners Sustainability Report recommendations presented to the City Council on October 4, 2011. Staff will also update the Commission on impacts to Human Services and social service grants.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive staff report and discuss.

- **10.** <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agendized discussion or taken action).
 - 10.1 Appointment of 2012 HRC Chairperson and Vice-Chair Nominating Committee

BACKGROUND: Chair Hoffman and Vice-Chair Smith will soon be completing their first full terms (January 2011 – December 2011) in their current positions. Commission rules state that no Chairperson shall be eligible for election for more than two consecutive full terms, therefore both officers are eligible for reelection.

The rules also state that the Commission shall appoint three of its members as a Nominating Committee for new officers. The Nominating Committee shall obtain consent of nominees, and then notify staff of its recommendations prior to the next meeting. Nominations will be considered at the November meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Appoint Nominating Committee.

10.2 Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEAT) Presentation

BACKGROUND: Sister Elaine Marie Sanchez, from Sisters of the Holy Family, is working on a project dealing with Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEAT). She has received a grant to do training in our area. She hopes to complete two trainings and would like the assistance of the Commission in getting the word out. Sister Elaine Marie would like to address the Commission on this issue.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive presentation and provide feedback and possible support.

11. <u>COMMISSION REFERRALS</u>

11.1 None

12. <u>STANDING AND ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS</u> (Oral reports on relevant meetings/events)

12.1 Strengthening Fremont Serving Non Profits Committee

BACKGROUND: A committee of Chair Hoffman and Commissioners Walsh and Campbell works to:

- a. Participate in the Community Advisory and Engagement Board (CAEB) at Family Resource Center (FRC) workshops and/or forums
- b. Review, evaluate and oversee the Social Service Grant Program
- c. Conduct workshops and/or forums which are beneficial to local non profits.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive committee update.

12.2 Community Dialogue and Resource Sharing Committee

BACKGROUND: A committee of Commissioner Watanuki (Lead), Vice-Chair Smith and Commissioner La works to:

- a. Educate and empower the community on important social issues.
- b. Respond to current issues and concerns
- c. Hold events, workshops, and forums

RECOMMENDATION: Receive committee update on symposium.

12.3 Community Outreach Committee

BACKGROUND: A committee of Commissioner Leung, Vuppala and, and Chair Hoffman works to:

a. Improve visibility of the HRC

- b. Improve youth involvement
- c. Work with other Commissions to serve the entire community
- d. Organize a Film series

RECOMMENDATION: Receive committee update.

12.4 Advocacy Committee

BACKGROUND: A committee consisting of Commissioners Walsh, La and Campbell works to promote the needs of the community to City Leadership

RECOMMENDATION: Receive committee update and add additional committee members to replace former commissioners.

12.5 "Make a Difference Day" Committee

BACKGROUND: A committee consisting of Commissioners La and Campbell works to coordinate a city-wide day of volunteering scheduled for October 22, 2011. Christine Beitsch has been hired as the 2011 Make A Difference Day Program Manager.

There are three key events in the Make a Difference Day calendar:

Make a Difference Day Event Schedule

Date	Event	Time	Place	Present
10/04/11	Council	7:00 PM	City Council	Ms. Beitsch
	Proclamation		Chambers	
10/22/11	MADD	All Day	Citywide	All
11/08/11	Recognition	6:15 PM	City Training	All
	Event		Room	

In past years, Commissioners have each visited a two or more Make a Difference Day projects out in the community, taken pictures, and thanked volunteers. Ms. Beitsch would like to confirm each Commissioner's participation in the project and his or her role for the day.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive update, and confirm participation in Make a Difference Day.

12.6 Other Commission Updates

RECOMMENDATION: Receive reports from Commissioners on relevant meetings/events.

13. STAFF REPORTS

- 13.1 Attendance Summary (Attachment 13.1)
- 13.2 Calendar (Attachment 13.2) of HRC regular/special meetings and events.
- **REFERRALS TO STAFF** (this is for items referred by an individual Commissioner. A Commission vote in favor of an item here means it will be placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).
- 15. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>